

Entre nous. I believe he recalled the familiar brooch before he did the wearer. However, that is none of our affair, since she was perfectly satisfied with the reply. The result of this meeting was that Aunt Harriet lost her nurse, and the Foreign Missions gained a cheerful, earnest worker, after all.

Arlington Advocate

PUBLISHED EVERY SATURDAY, BY
C. S. PARKER, Editor,
and Agent for the

Arlington Press Association.
OFFICE,
Bodge's Building, opp. the Depot,
ARLINGTON AVENUE.

ARLINGTON, DECEMBER 23, 1876.

ADVERTISING RATES:—Reading notices, 25 cts a line; Special notices, 50 cts a line; Religious notices, 10 cts a line; Ordinary notices, 10 cts a line. Subscriptions, \$1.50 a year, payable in advance. Single copies, 4 cents.

CLOSE OF VOL. V.

With this issue closes our fifth volume. For five years our little paper has been a weekly visitor, and we have tried to make it a welcome one. That we have been partially successful is attested by the support we have received. Two years ago the present management assumed control, the paper was increased in size, and from that time to the present, in spite of general depression in business circles in all sections of the country, the subscriptions have steadily, though slowly, increased; while the advertising patronage has become so liberal as to enable us to throw off our former "half-shell," patent outside, and print the whole paper in our own office, with our own press, and from our own type. The changed appearance has been remarked and favorably commented on by many of our readers, and we shall try and merit still further commendation by others equally noticeable and good. As we look over our subscription list, however, we notice the absence of many names, who, it seems to us, ought to be subscribers, and we hope that all who have this year been only occasional purchasers, will begin the new year as subscribers. We would call the special attention of our subscribers to the figures printed against their names on the margin of their papers. They indicate the date to which payment has been made, and we trust all whose subscriptions have expired will find it convenient to at once furnish us with that very necessary lubricator, money—to keep our printing machinery in motion.

MERRY CHRISTMAS.

If there ever was a time when we needed the genial influences of a holiday time, it is now, and it is a cheering thought that in spite of all the depressing influences which surround us, the season is making the most of itself, and is so genial. There is no doubt that we should not prepare for their full enjoyment. We may be sure that we shall come through our political complications in safety. There can be no serious trouble when the people are in temper for it, and now they are determined upon avoiding anything that might disturb the prospect of peace and prosperity. It is time to cultivate a better feeling, to develop the social and genial aspects of our nature, to rescue ourselves from the tolls of another

Merry Christmas should be especially devoted to the happiness of little children. Let the boys and girls have their days of perfect enjoyment out of the year. They have at other times their trials, troubles and annoyances, with increasing years the cares of the world will overshadow them and Merry Christmas will lose its enchantment. Its legends of misdeeds will become fables, the glamour will be from its pantomimes, and its deities will only be enjoyable when remembered through younger eyes. It did not interfere with the manifestations of joy and joy at the birth of Christ, that the labor and suffering were before. It is to be closed by an ignominious rout. The Gethsemane and Calvary were there, but none the less the heart was broken up when he was born, and the angelic hosts descended about Bethlehem, singing the canticle of peace and good-will.

Let us in good enjoyments of the little ones must have a share. None are so happy but what for a time, a day at least, they may remit their solicitude, and all thought of trouble or disaster may be laid aside, and enjoy with his family the blessings of this holiday season. The season should be wholesome, and should be with rest. So let us spend it with cheer and hope, and enter upon the new year with a determination to do better than we have done, feeling an assurance that nothing contributes more to the happiness of life than its past and joyful memory.

Rev. C. H. Spalding delivered a sermon at the Baptist church, last Sunday evening, on the subject of "The Christian's Duty." The attendance was rather small. Some of the visiting brethren got drunk, and were locked up in the morning.

The Highland Home Co., No. 2, held their fourth annual ball, in the Town Hall, on the 15th inst. The attendance was rather small. Some of the visiting brethren got drunk, and were locked up in the morning.

SEWERAGE.

We commend to the notice of our readers the following extract from the *Daily Advertiser*. Every spring the village of Arlington is more or less flooded by melting snows and heavy rains. Many of the cellars are in a bad condition, and cannot be drained properly without some general sewerage system. Will not the town fathers give the subject careful attention, and take the lead in this much-needed improvement?

"Lennox, Mass., is being drained by a system of small, six-inch, tight sewer pipes, which lead from the houses along the streets to a large tank in the open fields. This tank has a capacity of three to four thousand gallons, and is self-acting in that it will empty itself, by means of a siphon, into a system of distributing drains some ten thousand feet in united length, laid at a depth of one foot beneath the surface of the ground. The distributing drains are porous land-tile, laid with open joints, so that the sewage is absorbed into the soil, which is enriched thereby and fitted for the growth of grass and similar crops. Provision is made for the disposal of the sewage by surface irrigation at any time when freezing might prevent the working of the sub-irrigation, though in similar systems in use in the North it has been shown that the sewage keeps the soil warm enough to prevent freezing in the immediate vicinity of the drains sufficient to absorb all the sewage. It is said that this system is perfectly odorless, and examinations of the soil receiving the sewage for six years have failed to show any accumulation of filth. An essential part of the system is that beside the sewer pipes leading to the reservoir-tank are laid land-tile to provide for the drainage of the land. At stated intervals are tumbler-banks, which receive the clear water from the tile, and discharge, when full, by automatic action, into the sewage pipes, thus cleansing them with a rush of clear water and preventing the deposition of sediment. This is the patented system of Mr. Rogers Field, a leading sanitary engineer of England, who, however, waives his right of royalty in favor of Lennox, as this is its first introduction to this country. Colonel George E. Waring has charge of the work, for which he is well fitted by his travels, study and experience."

NO CASE.—The claim of Mr. David Wood, of Lexington, against that town for damage caused by changing the grade of Vine Brook, which for so long a time has engaged the attention of the town authorities is at last closed. The case as we understand it, is as follows: When the bed of Vine Brook was lowered for the purpose of draining the meadows, a little pond in the grounds between the residences of Mr. Wood and Mr. Muzzey was drawn off, and thus destroyed. Mr. Wood made a claim for damage to the selectmen, and was awarded thirty dollars. Not being satisfied with this, he appealed to the County Commissioners, who after examining into the matter, only confirmed the previous award. As a last resort Mr. Wood determined on having a Sheriff's Jury; and having given bonds in \$300 to cover the costs, in the event the case should be decided against him, the jury was called together on the 11th inst., as stated last week, and then, on account of a misunderstanding, adjourned to the 15th inst. At that time there was a large number assembled, and Town Hall was thrown open for their accommodation. As soon as the case was opened, however, counsel for Mr. Wood stated that an examination of the facts showed that his client really had no legal interest in the property at the time the alleged damage was caused, and consequently had no case. It was a curious and unexpected ending, and has caused much merriment in town during the past week.

SMITH-WHITNEY CONCERT.—A second attempt to give the concert by the Smith-Whitney troupe was near being a failure, last Saturday evening. The driver of the hack which contained the tenor and alto singers, mistook his way, and went to Watertown, and did not reach Arlington until after nine o'clock, just as the audience was being dismissed. While waiting their arrival, Mrs. Smith and Mr. Whitney, with the assistance of Mr. W. E. Wood, as accompanist, favored the audience with several solos and duets. After the arrival of the other members of the troupe the regular programme was gone through with, but in so hurried a manner that they failed to give the satisfaction or gratification they otherwise would. The singers were all in good voice, and all who heard them felt repaid for their waiting. The audience was smaller than it ought to have been. The weather was very cold and unfavorable, which was doubtless the reason.

Next Tuesday evening the Reform Club will hold its regular meeting at seven o'clock. As the choice of officers for the ensuing year is to be made at this meeting, every member will see the importance of being present.

The Highland Home Co., No. 2, held their fourth annual ball, in the Town Hall, on the 15th inst. The attendance was rather small. Some of the visiting brethren got drunk, and were locked up in the morning.

LECTURE COURSE.—The next entertainment before the Bethel Lodge Course will be given by Miss Nella F. Browne, of Boston. She has already gained a high place as a reader, and is constantly improving. Of her recent performance in Boston the *Globe* said:

"Miss Brown received a very flattering welcome, which her readings, or rather recitations, fully justified. The young lady possesses a fine intellectual, and expressive face, a charming stage presence, grace of manners, a powerful, rich, and well-trained voice, and above all, the artistic instinct which makes her an actress rather than a reader, and enables her to present her characters to the eyes as well as to the ears of her audience. Certainly she would attain high rank as an actress."

W. C. T. U.—Menotomy Hall was well filled, last Wednesday evening, by an audience called together to witness the entertainment prepared by a committee of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, of Arlington. It consisted of a very pleasing "Bread upon the Waters"—the principal piece, interspersed with solos, quartettes, tableaux, etc. The parts were well sustained, and it was an enjoyable affair throughout. The ladies of the committee were surprised, Wednesday morning, to receive a receipted bill for the use of the hall which the agent of Menotomy Hall presented them, in accordance with a vote of the "Menotomy Club."

FUN AHEAD.—The entertainment which Mr. S. P. Prentiss has been preparing, for the past few months, will be given in the Town Hall, early in January. It will consist of a comedy, and the beautiful Parlor Opera, entitled "A Winter Evening's Entertainment." The scene of the opera represents a quilting frolic, with its usual accompaniments of fun, games, love-making, etc., and an old fashioned snow ball fight, by the young men of the party. Mr. W. E. Wood will preside at the piano. Full particulars will be announced in due season.

The annual Coffee Party of the Unitarian society was held last Thursday evening, in the vestry of the church. The tables were tastefully arranged, the supper was splendid, and the literary exercises were very fine, the parts being sustained by Judge Parmenter and wife, S. G. Damon, and wife, B. Delmont Locke, Mrs. G. Bucknam, Miss C. C. Turner, Dr. L. Hodgson and G. Y. Wellington. It was a successful party in every way.

PLEASANT EVENING.—On the evening of the 15th inst., the vestry of the Universalist church was filled to listen to and enjoy an entertainment furnished by some of the young ladies and young gentlemen of the society. It consisted of music by Mrs. Swan and Miss Proctor, and two pleasing farces entitled "Who is Who," and "The Boston Dip." Both were finely rendered, and afforded much amusement.

DELEGATES.—The following gentlemen have been elected by the Arlington Reform Club to serve as delegates to the State Convention, which assembles in Boston, on the 27th inst.:—Charles S. Parker, George H. Rugg, James R. Catter, Ammi Hall, A. Dwight Field, W. W. Rawson, R. J. Harder, E. W. Corey, W. E. Richardson, and Daniel Benham.

DENTISTRY.—It gives us pleasure to announce that Dr. C. Houghton, formerly of Danvers, has taken rooms in Bank Building, in Arlington, which he had fitted up in a rich and tasteful manner, as a dental office, and now is ready to receive calls from all who are in need of any kind of dental service. He has had large experience, and is qualified to give entire satisfaction.

CURIOUS.—During the snow storm last Monday, at about four o'clock in the afternoon, a brilliant flash of lightning shot across the horizon, and was followed with a very heavy thunder peal. It was an unusual and long-to-be-remembered sight. The bolt struck in Boston, and Somerville, but did not do any serious damage.

THE SNOW.—As the result of Monday's storm, about eight inches of snow now covers the ground, and the sleighing is excellent. On Wednesday and Thursday nearly every one who could do so was enjoying a sleigh ride. The weather, however, was too cold for real comfort.

The figures on the margin of the *Advocate*, in connection with the subscriber's name, indicate the time the subscription expires, viz:—11-28-76, means paid to Nov. 28, 1876. A word to the wise is sufficient. We shall be in our office every evening next week.

CHRISTMAS AT THE CHURCHES.—At the Orthodox, Baptist and the Universalist churches there will be Christmas trees and other appropriate festivities for the amusement of the children connected with their several Sunday Schools, next Monday evening. The usual services will also be held at the Catholic Church.

The public schools will be closed next week.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 20th, 1876.

MR. EDITOR.—Monday was a proud day for Massachusetts at the National Capitol. The generous patriotism of the Commonwealth has contributed two creditable statues of renowned citizens to the National Pantheon, and they have been presented by her Senators and Representatives in addresses which will long grace the record of Congressional oratory. They displayed a rich store of varied knowledge, as well as a familiarity with Puritanism, only acquired by deep study, and although the orators were all lawyers by profession, they gave evidence that they were not insensible to the beauties of poetry and the subtleties of metaphysics. Such men as those who spoke to-day, like the old Massachusetts worthies whose virtues they portrayed, leave behind them "Footprints on the sands of time."

Judge William D. Kelley, of Pennsylvania, pronounced the remarks by Mr. Hoar the finest that he had ever listened to in the hall of the House of Representatives, and he has been a member during the last sixteen years.

The House indulged in its Monday's wash, and strung a lot of bills on the lines of its journal, but no important business was transacted. Various attempts were made to commit the House to abstract propositions by a two-thirds vote, but the attempts were unsuccessful and an early adjournment was had.

The United States and Mexican Claims Commission, organized under a treaty negotiated in 1868, has at last concluded its labors and dissolved, and the furniture used by it was sold at auction to-day. Sir Edward Thornton was the final umpire, and while \$89,411 was found due by the United States to citizens of Mexico, the total amount of claims due by Mexico to citizens of the United States exceeded that sum \$3,975,123. Mexico is not now in a condition to pay this justly due balance, nor is the United States in a condition to insist upon the payment thereof, or a promise of Mexico instead.

In the course of the debate yesterday upon the right of Congress to ransack the telegraph office, Mr. Hewitt, Chairman of the Democratic National Committee, said he had given President Orton authority to produce all his telegrams. He added, thereby making a sensation, that he believed that his letters were regularly opened and resealed in the New York Post Office. Experts whom he had employed assured him of this. Postmaster James, of New York, on being telegraphed to in regard to this charge, gives Hewitt the lie direct, and calls upon him to supplement his charges by an immediate investigation.

The House to-day directed the Foreign Affairs Committee to consider what action should be taken with regard to the congratulatory of the Irish nation presented through John O'Connor Power. The House assumed, in adopting the resolution, that there is an Irish nation. This is the same communication which the State Department and the President refused to receive in that form, as it might be construed as an unfriendly act to Great Britain.

On Tuesday, Hon. Fernando Wood, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported a resolution for the adjournment of the House from next Saturday to Wednesday, the 27th, and from Saturday, the 30th, to Wednesday, the 3rd of January. This was adopted by a vote of 101 to 87. Most of the members were in favor of two week's adjournment, but the exigencies of affairs at present caused the adoption of the resolution of the Committee.

The Senate Sub-committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred all questions of law arising from the late Presidential election outside of the States of South Carolina, Louisiana and Florida, have completed their investigation, except in regard to the Oregon matter, and this case will be taken up as soon as the witnesses arrive.

Hon. George C. Gorham, Secretary of the United States Senate, was married last evening to Miss Effie E. Bassett, of this city.

SANTA CLAUS'S WIFE.

MR. EDITOR.—Can you tell the children whether Santa Claus has a wife or no? The little prattlers know all about Santa Claus himself, and delight in his long white beard, jolly train of reindeers, and especially the pretty toys he brings; but their inquiry now is as to Mrs. Santa Claus. Does she ride in the big sleigh with him, huddled all among the toys, or does she stay at home taking care of the mayhap little Santa Clauses? Is she young and fair, with beautiful eyes, and with form all dainty and sweet, and how old is she? Any information you can give will be gratefully and jollily received by three prospective little wives, named,

MAUD, MOLLY, and SUE.

Big Hog.—Last week Mr. David L. B. Fitch, residing at the "Mill Farm," in Bedford, killed a hog of almost mammoth proportions. When dressed the carcass weighed 619 pounds. It was sold to Messrs. Pratt & Fitch, Faneuil Hall Market, Boston, and attracted a deal of notice.

DELAYED.—The 6.25 train from Boston, was delayed over an hour, last Tuesday evening, by reason of the shifting engine being thrown from the track by a misplaced switch. Two or three of the employees were severely injured.

DISCHARGED.—Bernard McGowan, recently appointed on the police, has been discharged. He served only about a week, and twice during that time Mr. Hartwell found him drunk. The second time he was given his walking papers.

The ladies of the Women's Christian Temperance Union surprised the Arlington Reform Club, last Tuesday evening, at their rooms, and gave a very pleasing entertainment, consisting of vocal and instrumental music.

Rev. C. H. Spalding will preach a sermon appropriate to Christmas, at the Baptist church, next Sabbath morning. In the afternoon he will preach the twelfth in a series from Proverbs. Subject, "Wronging One's Own Soul."

FURS.—Messrs. Cook & Aldrich, opposite "Old South," Boston, have a splendid stock of Seal Skin Furs. Call and examine them.

Christmas services will be held in the Universalist church, next Sunday morning. Sunday School Concert in the church at 7 o'clock, p. m. All are invited.

The regular monthly meeting of the Selectmen will be held on Tuesday evening, Dec. 26th.

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

The Illustrated History of the Centennial Exhibition, with a full description of the Great Buildings and all the objects of Interest Exhibited in them. By James D. McCabe, author of the "The Centennial History of the United States," etc. Embellished with over 300 fine engravings of buildings and scenes in the Great Exhibition.

There is a universal demand for a work which shall embody a complete and carefully written account of the great Centennial Exhibition, sketching its wonderful and varied features, and presenting to the reader not a dry list of the articles exhibited, but a brilliant and graphic description of the most magnificent display of the results of human skill and industry ever gathered together. Such a want the National Publishing Co., have supplied in this superb volume. It is from the pen of the well-known author, James D. McCabe, of Philadelphia.

The book is a complete and vivid description of the great Exhibition. The Author has written from his own personal knowledge, having gone through every part of the World's fair, note-book in hand, recording the vast and varied information contained in this work. He has received the constant and sympathetic assistance of the Centennial authorities, and has enjoyed peculiar advantages in its preparation. The Author takes us through the Exhibition grounds, and makes us familiar with every object of interest in them. We are then taken into the Main Building, and are carried successively through it, and through every building, large and small, in the grounds. We are told the story of the construction and arrangements of each of these edifices, and the rare, beautiful and wonderful collections which they contained are graphically described. This work is invaluable to all classes of our people. To those who visited the Exhibition it will be a pleasing souvenir of their visit, and will enable them to recall the magnificent scenes they have witnessed. To those who could not make the journey, the book is a necessity, for it will enable them to enjoy the delights of a thorough acquaintance with the great World's Fair in the quietude of their own homes. There is not another book in print which gives one-fourth of the information contained in this work. It is comprised in one large and handsome octavo volume of 874 pages, and is superbly illustrated. The book is sold by subscription only, and is wanted in every county. Published by the National Publishing Co., Philadelphia.

ST. NICHOLAS.—The Happy New-Year number of *St. Nicholas* is as jolly and bright, as pretty and comfortable as can be. Such delight for "beside-the-fire-hours" is not often offered. It is full of fine pictures, capital stories and charming verses. The serial story, "The Trowbridge's," by Fanny H. Burnett, is a charmingly continued, and Prof. Proctor's "The Stars of January," is a most valuable contribution. A nice story of Russian life is entitled "Katinka," by the author of "Helen's Babies." "Budge's Story of the Centennial," by H. H. Boyesen writes a pretty fairy tale entitled "Mabel and I," and there are hosts of other good things, sweetmeats and substantial, including puzzles and conical pictures in large numbers. Published by Scribner & Co., New York.

SCRIBNER.—Scribner's Monthly, for the month of January, seems to us the best number for a long time. It opens with a sweet poem, "Day Dreams," by Hannah R. Hudson, and is followed by a capital paper on "Norway and Norsemen," by H. H. Boyesen; Fanny H. Burnett's "The Last of Lowrie" is excellently continued; the eighth of Clarence Cook's "Household Furniture, etc.," papers is given; Dr. Holland's story, "Nicholas Minturn," is continued; Charles Barnard gives another paper on "Co-operation;" General George B. McClellan writes of "A Winter on the Nile;" all these articles being most able and nicely illustrated. There are, besides these principal attractions, a large number of articles calculated to please and instruct, all arranged and printed with the skill and taste which has won this magazine the leading place among our magazine literature. There are poems by R. H. Stoddard, "H. H." Dr. Holland, Charles de Kay, R. W. Gilder, and Constantine E. Brooks. Published by Scribner & Co., New York.

POPULAR SCIENCE MONTHLY.—With each returning month the *Popular Science Monthly* comes with full welcome. It is the best magazine of its class we ever see, and for actual information put in the most readable, entertaining way, it is to be commended most heartily. The January number is a compeer with its predecessors, and that is praise indeed. The contents are distributed fairly among the several important scientific subjects, and a number of the articles are nicely illustrated. D. Appleton & Co., publishers, N. Y.

Mr. J. S. Dawes, 21 Brattle Square, Cambridge, offers some unusual attractions in the way of glass and crockery ware, suitable for the holidays. See his advertisement.

THE GAS.

MR. EDITOR.—The Arlington Gas Light Company charges the citizens of the town \$4.25 per 1,000 cubic feet of what may be termed skunktail gas. It specific gravity in bad odors is very heavy, say 0.990, and hence its illuminants are of the feeblest kind and very poisonous, being overcharged with all manner of sulphuric compounds.

Last Sunday week this new patent gas displayed its qualities so prominently, that notwithstanding the thermometer was at zero, the citizens were obliged to throw their doors and windows wide open in order to expel the offensive and suffocating stench from their dwellings.

Monday evening the same striped-back visitant was about our dwellings, and if he, she, or it, had turned their current inclinations towards the henneries, instead of our parlors and chambers, but little or nothing would have been said about it at the breakfast table, by way of formal dissertations on the offensive odors remitted by the too liberal mixture of carbonic anhydride with illuminating gas.

Hence it is we cannot definitely say, but it is whispered round that one Phil Doctor is at the head of this life-destroying sulphur-broth distillery, which appears to be Conscience to his professed theory of practice, not to kill by too heavy prescriptions. **SULPHURIC ACID.** Arlington, Dec. 20, 1876.

FIRE.—Tuesday morning a barn on the estate of Mr. Charles Blanchard, in Waltham, just over the line from Lexington, caught fire from a lighted cigar, and was partially destroyed. The Adams engine and the hook and ladder truck of East Lexington responded promptly to the alarm, and were able to save the property. The loss was about \$200, and is covered by insurance.

VALUABLE PICTURES.—Through the efforts of Hon. Charles Hudson, a portrait of the Rev. John Hancock, who for fifty-four years, prior to the revolution, was pastor of the Lexington church, and one of his wife, have been loaned to the Cary Library, and now adorn its walls. The portraits were painted by Smitbert.

"OLD ABE."—The famous live war eagle which accompanied the 8th Wisconsin Regiment in its numerous battles during the war of the rebellion, was exhibited in Town Hall, Lexington, last Monday, 18th inst. The children attended in the afternoon, in large numbers, and had a jolly good time. Mr. Barrett, his keeper, gave a very interesting history of the bird, and his remarkable travels.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S.

Notwithstanding the "obituary" notice of "E. W. Stearns," in the last number of the *Bulletin*, Elijah W. Stearns still lives at his old home in Bedford, where, for the last fourteen years, he has served his friends and the public with frugal and notable, making a specialty of goods suited to the holidays.

HARD TIMES.

No more of the "HARD TIMES" complaint, since you at **RICHARDS'** store can buy "FINE CLOTHING" for the gentlemen! Who has a very large supply. At prices lower than elsewhere. **AT 24 AND 25 DICK SQUARE.**

The People Want Proof.

There is no medicine prescribed by physicians, or sold by Druggists, that carries such evidence of its success and superior virtue as BOSCHER'S, GERMAN SYRUP for severe Coughs, Colds settled on the Breast, Consumption, or any disease of the Throat and Lungs. A proof of that fact is that any person afflicted, can get a Sample Bottle for 10 cents and try its superior effect before buying the regular size at 75 cents. It has lately been introduced in this country from Germany, and its wonderful cures are astonishing every one that used it. Three doses will relieve any case. Try it. Sold by A. G. Babcock, Lexington.

BOYS AND CHILDREN.

In clothes for **BOYS AND CHILDREN** near. They're giving "BARGAINS" very rare. At **GEORGE RICHARDS',** in Dock Square. Just take the "LITTLE FELLOWS" there, And they'll "Endorse a Thing" will do; Then take your neighbor's children too. **OLD CORNER STORE, 24, 25 AND 26 DICK SQUARE.**

Deaths.

Death, name, and age inserted, free, all other notices 10 cents a line.

In Arlington, Dec. 19, Oswald H., son of Frank A. and Edna Jackson, aged 8 years, 4 months. In Lexington, Dec. 11, Mary Jane, only child of Jeremiah and Mary Downes. Oh! say can it be that our Jennie, Once so joyful of motion and life, Has gone and left us behind her, As she rests in the graveyard to-night? Oh, yes; she has gone, and forever, Never more can we meet her again; Never more will her merry voice greet us; Never more can our homes be the same. Our home the once made so cheerful, It is now so lonely and drear, Since her footsteps are hushed out in the darkness, And her merry laugh hushed from our ear. When summer time comes, the wild flowers Will spread with the grass on her grave, And in winter, that cold dreary season, Its weeds deep o'er her will be laid. Alas! we must now feel contented, As it was God who called Jennie from us, And her soul is with Him and His angels, And her body is turning to dust. Ah! years they will come and roll over, And one day from earth all must part, But until our time comes, dear Jennie, Your memory is fresh in our hearts. J. A. D.

Special Notices.

Tax Collector's Notice.

Those persons who have not paid their Taxes, now past due, are notified to do so immediately, as the money is needed for immediate payment of demands against the town. **L. M. DAMON, Collector.** Lexington, Dec. 11, 1876.

